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I support Microsoft's position in the settlement.

I am not an employee of Microsoft nor compensated in ANY fashion by Microsoft.

I have been in the computer industry over 25 years and have seen a lot things come and go. The worst of which is when I have worked hard for a company only to see them close their doors for any of a variety of reasons. Starting the job search and starting at the bottom again and again gets old.

I have seen the industry ignore a lot of activities FAR WORSE than Microsoft's behavior, which I will not list here, but I could.

My position is, our US Justice Dept. should go in the direction of what the majority of the industry and litigants WANT and AGREE to. Special interests risk softening an industry and economy that needs STABILITY. If you have chanced jobs a bunch of times like I have, not by choice but because you were laid-off, you will know what I am talking about.

I feel we should clarify and re-clarify and re-clarify computer laws so that they are FAIR and apply them EQUALLY in the industry. Keep POLITICS out of the computer industry.

I support Microsoft's position and whatever they agree to.

Thank you and God Bless America.

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